



COMMANDING OFFICER
USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN-71)

July 12, 2004

Dear THEODORE ROOSEVELT (TR) Families:

Greetings from America's "Big Stick" as we sit on blocks at Norfolk Naval Shipyard. I hope you and your families are having a wonderful summer. I know one thing for sure, your Sailor has been busy putting in many hours preparing our great ship for delivery back to our Fleet Commander, and as a result we are ahead of schedule. However, we simply couldn't achieve the necessary milestones in meeting our goals without the tremendous support you provide the Sailors of this "World Class" Carrier. That being said, and as you are all aware, the summer months are when many of our crew transfer and head off to new challenges in support our Navy. Please know that we recognize a very simple fact...we don't just transfer a Sailor, we transfer a Navy Family. Therefore, please allow me this opportunity to thank each and every family member for their support. You are all a very important part of the "Big Stick" Team, TR Family, and our Navy.

I would also like to welcome all of our new families who have recently checked aboard. We have many great opportunities for the spouses of our TR Sailors to be directly involved in a myriad of support groups as well as leadership positions in those very groups (TR Officer's Spouse Association = TROSA; TR Support Group = TRSG; OMBUDSMAN). Please consider joining these important groups.

Specifically, we are currently looking to fill several key vacancies in our OMBUDSMAN program and are in search of spouses who are willing to step forward and assume the vital and challenging position as a Command OMBUDSMAN. They play an important role in establishing and maintaining good communications between families and the command. The OMBUDSMAN Program is a vital part of every TR success! As an OMBUDSMAN, you will be an official representative of TR Families as well as an official member of the Commanding Officer's staff of advisors. As such, you will have direct access to the Commanding Officer, Executive Officer and Command Master Chief in the performance of your duties. The Command Master Chief will be your normal point of contact.

The need to improve the quality of life of our superb Sailors and their families has never been greater. We need you on our team and want to welcome you to a leadership role of outstanding importance at this command. If you are willing to devote your time and talent to serve as a Command OMBUDSMAN, please contact the Command Master Chief by phone at (757) 443-7868 or email her at lamberbl@roosevelt.navy.mil.

Please join our "World Class" team through active participation as a member of TROSA, TRSG, or as a Command OMBUDSMAN today. Best wishes!

Sincerely,


J. L. GREEN
Captain, U.S. Navy

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